Application No.

08/667,677

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Notice of Allowability

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Group Art Unit 2771



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X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6 and 11-25
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
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☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

- 1. Claims 1-6 and 11-25 are presented for examination.
- 2. Applicant's arguments filed January 30, 1998 have been fully considered and they are deemed to be persuasive.
- 3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
- 4. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Brian Hickman on 19 February 1998.
- 5. The application has been amended as follows:

 Claims 7-10 have been deleted.
- 6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Diane Mizrahi whose telephone number is (703) 305-3806. The Examiner can normally be reached on Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm. Thomas Black, Examiner's Supervisor, can be reached at (703) 305-9707. The facsimile phone number for Art Unit 2771 is (703) 305-9731.

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Diane Mizrahi
Patent Examiner
February 19, 1998

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